State Taxes and Fees

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This section summarizes most of the state's transportation taxes and fees, the major source of revenue for state transportation purposes. Bus mileage, outdoor advertising, and access permits revenue sources have not been included in this section. After being collected by the administering agency, usually the Department of Licensing, these user taxes and fees are sent to the State Treasurer, placed into accounts as directed by statute, and expended after being appropriated by the Legislature. This process is further explained in the *Funds* section of this manual.

The taxes and fees in this section are arranged in alphabetical order. For the gas tax (i.e. the motor vehicle fuel and special fuel taxes), refer to the supplementary information following the general descriptions of these taxes.

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REVENUE SOURCE: Aircraft Dealers License Fee

<u>RCW:</u> 14.20.050, 14.20.060

WHO'S TAXED: Aircraft dealers

<u>TAX RATE:</u> \$75 per calendar year. Additional certificates are \$10 each per

calendar year

<u>ADMINISTERED BY:</u> Department of Transportation--Aviation Division

WHERE DEPOSITED: Aeronautics Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> 100% to the Aeronautics Account, appropriated to cover the cost of

administration of the DOT Aviation Division

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1955 \$25 per calendar year

1998 \$75 per calendar year

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$8,070

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$8,070

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$96 per \$1 of increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Aircraft Excise Tax

<u>RCW:</u> 82.48.030

WHO'S TAXED: Aircraft owner

<u>TAX RATE:</u> Single engine fixed wing, \$50; Small multi-engine fixed wing, \$65;

large multi-engine fixed wing, \$80; turboprop multi-engine fixed wing, \$100; turbojet multi-engine fixed wing, \$125; helicopter, \$75;

sailplane, \$20; lighter than air, \$20; home built, \$20

<u>ADMINISTERED BY:</u> Department of Transportation--Aviation Division

WHERE DEPOSITED: General Fund 90%; Aeronautics Account 10%

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> 90% to General Fund for purposes of general government as

appropriated by Legislature; 10% to Aeronautics Account appropriated to cover the cost of administration of the DOT

Aviation Division

TAX EXEMPTIONS: Aircraft owned by U.S. government or political subdivision; aircraft

registered by foreign country; aircraft registered in another state unless based in this state for 90 days or longer; aircraft engaged in interstate commerce; aircraft owned by manufacturer or dealer if

part of stock in trade (RCW 82.48.100)

<u>TAX HISTORY:</u> 1949 1% of fair market value of aircraft per year

1967 \$15 single engine aircraft; \$25 multi-engine

1983 See current tax rates above

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$529,323 = \$476,391 General Fund

\$52,932 Aeronautics Account

2005-07 FORECAST: \$537,233 = \$483,510 General Fund

\$53,723 Aeronautics Account

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$48,351 per 10% increase per biennium for General Fund

\$5,372 per 10% increase per biennium for Aeronautics Account

REVENUE SOURCE: Aircraft Fuel Tax

RCW: 82.42.025

WHO'S TAXED: Aircraft fuel users

<u>TAX RATE:</u> 10 cents per gallon

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Aeronautics Account

DISTRIBUTION & USE: Appropriated for administration of the DOT Aviation Division,

airport construction and maintenance, and local airport aid

TAX EXEMPTIONS: Commercial use, farm use, research, testing, training, emergency

medical air transport entities (RCW 84.42.030)

<u>TAX HISTORY:</u> 1967 2 cents/gallon on retail sales

1982 Agricultural spray planes exempted 3% x weighted average

retail price in third month of fiscal 1/2 year

1983 Minimum rate set at 5 cents

1989 5.5 cents

1991 January 6.5 cents 1991 July 6.0 cents 1997 June 6.0 cents 2000 July 6.5 cents 2001 January 7.5 cents 2002 July 7.0 cents 2003 July 10 cents

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$ 4,573,501

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$4,777,302

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$ 477,730 per one cent increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Aircraft Pilot Registration Fee

RCW: 47.68.233

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Pilots residing in Washington or who regularly operate any aircraft

in the state; applies to each pilot who is a resident of this state and each nonresident pilot who regularly operates aircraft in this state

<u>TAX RATE:</u> Current fee is \$15 per year

<u>ADMINISTERED BY:</u> Department of Transportation--Aviation Division

WHERE DEPOSITED: Aircraft Search and Rescue Safety & Education Account and

Aeronautics Account (only in 2003-2005 biennium)

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for aircraft search and rescue and for pilot safety and

education activities

<u>TAX EXEMPTIONS:</u> A pilot who operates an aircraft exclusively in the service of U.S.

government or political subdivision; a pilot registered under the laws of a foreign country; a pilot engaged in commercial flying in interstate or foreign commerce; a person piloting a dual controlled aircraft where a licensed instructor is in full charge of one set of controls and flight is solely for instruction or demonstration to

prospective purchaser (RCW 47.68.233)

TAX HISTORY: 1967 Not to exceed \$5

1987 Not to exceed \$10

1996 \$8

2003 \$15 to Aircraft Search and Rescue Safety & Education Account except for \$7 of \$15 fee to Aeronautics Account in 2003-

2005 biennium

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$318,568

2005-07 FORECAST: \$324,866

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$21,658 per \$1 increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Aircraft Registration Fee

RCW: 47.68.250

WHO'S TAXED: Aircraft owner

TAX RATE: \$15 per annum per aircraft

<u>ADMINISTERED BY:</u> Department of Transportation--Aviation Division

WHERE DEPOSITED: Aeronautics Account

DISTRIBUTION & USE: Appropriated for activities of the DOT Aviation Division

<u>TAX EXEMPTIONS:</u> Aircraft owned by U.S. government or any political subdivision;

aircraft registered by foreign country; aircraft engaged in interstate commerce; aircraft owned by manufacturer or dealer if part of stock in trade; aircraft registered in another state unless aircraft based in

this state for 90 days or longer (RCW 47.68.250)

TAX HISTORY: 1947 Up to \$10

1949 \$2 1967 \$4 1999 \$8 2003 \$15

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$162,107

2005-07 FORECAST: \$165,866

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$11,058 per \$1 increase per biennium

<u>REVENUE SOURCE:</u> Airman/Airwoman Registration Fee

RCW: 47.68.234

WHO'S TAXED: Any airman or airwoman not registered as a pilot who resides in

Washington or regularly performs the duties or an airman or

airwomen in the state

Airman/airwoman includes in-flight crew members; persons directly in charge of aircraft inspection, maintenance, or repair; and aircraft

dispatchers and control tower operators

<u>TAX RATE:</u> Current fee is \$15 per year

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Transportation--Aviation Division

WHERE DEPOSITED: Aircraft Search and Rescue Safety & Education Account and

Aeronautics Account (only in 2003-2005 biennium)

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for aircraft search and rescue and for pilot safety and

education activities

<u>TAX EXEMPTIONS:</u> Airman/airwoman employed outside the U.S., employed as an

inspector or mechanic by a manufacturer of aircraft or aircraft components, or who performs inspection and mechanical duties

only on his or her own aircraft (RCW 47.68.020(9))

TAX HISTORY: 1993 Not to exceed \$10

2003 \$15

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> Included in aircraft pilot registration fee

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> Included in aircraft pilot registration fee

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE</u>: Included in aircraft pilot registration fee

<u>REVENUE SOURCE:</u> Camper Registration Fee

<u>RCW:</u> 46.16.505

WHO'S TAXED: Vehicle owner

<u>TAX RATE:</u> Original \$4.90; renewal \$3.50, paid annually

<u>ADMINISTERED BY:</u> Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for highway-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1971 \$3.50 per year

1975 Original \$4.90; renewal \$3.50

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$390,329

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$330,000

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$67,000 per \$1 increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Centennial License Plates

RCW: 46.16.650

Chapter 1, 1st Special Session, Laws of 2000 repealed the centennial license plates fee, effective January 1, 2000.

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Consumers who purchase new plates.

TAX RATE: \$1 per plate

<u>ADMINISTERED BY:</u> Department for Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> As appropriated for highway-related purposes

<u>TAX EXEMPTIONS:</u> State/local government vehicles (RCW 46.16.020)

TAX HISTORY: 1986 \$1 per plate (From 1/87 to 6/89, 1/2 to Centennial Account

and 1/2 to Motor Vehicle Fund; after 6/89, all to Motor

Vehicle Fund)

2000 Repealed by Chapter 1, 1st Special Session, Laws of 2000

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$0

2005-07 FORECAST: \$0

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$0

REVENUE SOURCE: Clean Air Excise Tax

<u>RCW:</u> 82.44.020 (basic tax)

Chapter 1, 1st Special Session, Laws of 2000 repealed the clean

air excise tax, effective January 1, 2000.

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Owners of motor vehicles, campers, travel trailers, trailers, and

semitrailers

TAX RATE: \$2.00 per vehicle

<u>ADMINISTERED BY:</u> Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Air Pollution Control Account

DISTRIBUTION & USE: To implement provisions of Clean Air Act (RCW 70.84)

TAX EXEMPTIONS: Farm vehicles (RCW 82.44.020)

Vehicles owned by government agencies (RCW 82.44.010) Vehicles owned by nonresident military personnel (RCW

82.44.010)

Vehicles used entirely on private property (RCW 82.44.010) Mobile home, travel trailers, and campers (RCW 82.44.010)

Private school buses (RCW 82.44.010)

<u>TAX HISTORY:</u> 1991 \$2.25

1994 \$2.00

2000 Repealed by Chapter 1, 1st Special Session, Laws of 2000

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$0

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$0

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$0

REVENUE SOURCE: Collegiate License Plates

<u>RCW:</u> 46.16.313

46.16.324

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Purchasers of plates that depict the name and mascot or symbol of a

state university, regional university, or state college

<u>TAX RATE:</u> \$40 fee for original plates, \$30 fee upon renewal registration; paid

in addition to the regular vehicle registration fee and any other

required fees or taxes

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

Collegiate license plate fund of college depicted on plate

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> The Department of Licensing may deduct up to \$2 to cover

administration expenses (\$12 for initial plates); remaining proceeds,

less the cost of plate production, credited to the appropriate

collegiate license plate fund.

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1994 \$30 per year

1998 New plates \$40; renewal \$30 per year

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$ 968,231

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$950,668

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$29,000 per \$1 increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Combined Licensing Fee

(Language contained in Initiative 776, passed by the voters in November 2002, modified the

combined license fee for vehicles under 10,000 pounds.)

<u>RCW:</u> 46.16.070 and 46.16.085 (fee)

46.68.035 (distribution)

WHO'S TAXED: Vehicle owners registering trucks with gross weight of 4,000 pounds or

more; commercial trailers; and prorate vehicles (i.e., vehicles engaged in interstate commerce - see *Proportional Registration Plates and Fees*, page

88)

TAX RATE: Combines fees formerly charged separately; basic fee, gross weight fee, and

filing fee; \$30 to \$3,402 annual fee for trucks, depending on gross weight; proportionate amount of truck fee depending on miles driven in Washington for prorate trucks; \$36 annual fee for commercial trailers; a \$36 one-time fee applied to trailers registered in combination with power units above 40,000

lbs.)

<u>ADMINISTERED BY:</u> Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Multimodal Transportation Account/County (filing fee) \$2.00

Remainder distributed as follows:

Motor Vehicle Account69.386%State Patrol Highway Account21.963%Puget Sound Ferry Operations Account1.411%

<u>Transportation 2003 Account</u> 7.240%

100.000%

DISTRIBUTION & USE: As appropriated for highway-related purposes, State Patrol, and Washington

State Ferries

TAX EXEMPTIONS: Certain on-road use of farm vehicles (RCW 46.16.025)

Tow trucks pay motor vehicle registration fee (RCW 46.16.079)

TAX HISTORY: 1987 Effective January 1, 1987, with fees ranging from \$27.75 to

\$1,085.95, depending on licensed gross weight of the vehicle

1990 \$1 increase in filing fee, \$4.75 increase for State Patrol, and 40%

increase in gross weight fee; combined fee ranges from \$37 to \$1,518

Fee schedule extended to include vehicles with gross weight of up to 105,500 pounds, and \$90 was added for vehicles weighing more than 40,000 pounds that are used to tow trailers; combined fee ranges from

\$37 to \$2,973.

2002 Initiative 776 limited combined fee to \$30 for vehicles under 10,000

pounds licensed gross weight.

2003 15% increase in gross weight fee for vehicles over 10,000 pounds. New revenue to go into the Transportation 2003 (Nickel) Account.

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$271 million (includes \$3.5 million from trailers; \$74 million from prorate

vehicles)

2005-07 FORECAST: \$284 million (includes \$4 million from trailers; \$73 million from prorate

vehicles)

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$2.8 million per 1% increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Commercial Driver License

RCW: 46.20.470

WHO'S TAXED: Drivers endorsed to operate specialized vehicles (e.g., large trucks,

buses); went into effect in 1989

<u>TAX RATE:</u> \$20 every five years in addition to \$25 for basic driver license

\$10 for instruction permit

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Highway Safety Fund

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for administration of commercial drivers license

(CDL) program

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

<u>TAX HISTORY:</u> 1967 Original endorsement not to exceed \$10; renewal not to

exceed \$8

Original not to exceed \$10; renewal fee eliminated
 Original not to exceed \$10; renewal not to exceed \$3
 Original, renewal not to exceed \$12; \$5 instruction permit

2000 Original and renewal not to exceed \$25 2002 Instruction permit increased from \$5 to \$10

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$2,073,671

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$2,218,532

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$106,000 per \$1 increase per biennium

<u>REVENUE SOURCE:</u> Commercial Vehicle Safety Inspection Fee

RCW: 46.32.090

WHO'S TAXED: Commercial motor vehicle carriers that have terminals in this state

TAX RATE: \$10 per year per vehicle; fee is apportioned for interstate vehicles

operating under the International Registration Plan

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: State Patrol Highway Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for highway-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: Motor vehicles owned by farmers for their own products (RCW

46.32.080)

Regulated vehicles owned by passenger charter companies, auto transportation companies, solid waste collection companies, motor freight carriers under 81.80 RCW, and limousine charter companies

TAX HISTORY: 1995 \$10

1996 Fee for IRP vehicles added

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$2.9 million

2005-07 FORECAST: \$3.3 million

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$300,000 per \$1 increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Copies of Driver's Record

RCW: 46.52.130

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Drivers/insurance companies

<u>TAX RATE:</u> \$5.00 per copy of any Department of Licensing records (records for

confidential use only are not available)

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Highway Safety Fund

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated to cover the cost of supplying records

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1961 \$1 per abstract

1963 \$1.50 1985 \$3.50 1987 \$4.50 2002 \$5.00

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$28,355,750

2005-07 FORECAST: \$27,333,476

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$6 million per \$1 increase per biennium

<u>REVENUE SOURCE:</u> Disabled Person Parking Plates, Placards, and

Identification Cards

<u>RCW:</u> 46.16.381

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Disabled persons that meet established criteria in RCW 46.16.381;

organizations that regularly transport disabled persons

<u>TAX RATE:</u> Disabled person plates - \$9 replacement plate fee

Disabled person placard - no fee

Disabled-person identification card - no fee

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for highway-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

<u>TAX HISTORY:</u> 1984 Normal registration fee; no additional charge for card, decal

1991 Placards replace cards, decals

1998 Identification cards are issued with permanent placards

2003-05 ESTIMATE: Minimal

2005-07 FORECAST: Minimal

VALUE OF INCREASE: Minimal

REVENUE SOURCE: Driver Instruction Permit

(See *Motorcycle Endorsement Fee/Instruction Permit*, page 82)

<u>RCW:</u> 46.20.091

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Individuals learning to drive (must be fifteen and a half years of age

or older)

<u>TAX RATE:</u> \$15 for photo or nonphoto permit (good for one year)

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Highway Safety Fund

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for driver-related programs

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

<u>TAX HISTORY:</u> 1965 \$1.50

1979 \$2.50 1985 \$5.00 2002 \$15.00

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$3,172,141

2005-07 FORECAST: \$2,949,562

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$27,440 per \$1 increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Driver License Examination Fee

RCW: 46.20.120

WHO'S TAXED: Any individual applying for a new driver license (including

individuals who already have a license from another state and those whose previous Washington license has been expired for over four

years)

<u>TAX RATE:</u> \$10 per examination

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Highway Safety Fund

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for driver-related programs

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1953 \$2 exam fee

1975 \$3 1985 \$7 2002 \$10

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$9,148,367

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$9,617,741

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$950,584 per \$1 increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Driver License Fee

<u>RCW:</u> 46.20.161 (original)

46.20.181 (renewal)

46.68.041 (where deposited)

WHO'S TAXED: Drivers

TAX RATE: \$25 for 5-year license

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED Highway Safety Fund

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for general government and driver-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1971 - \$1.90 temporarily dedicated to General Fund

1975 - General Fund diversion made permanent; increased from \$5

to \$6 (two-year license)

1980 - Increased from \$6 for two-year license to \$14 for four-year

license

1995 - Entire fee to Highway Safety Account (formerly, \$3.80 of

fee went to General Fund)

2000 - \$25 for five year license. Gradually implemented through

2005

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$50,234,067

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$54,811,388

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$1,908,518 million per \$1 increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Driver License Reinstatement Fee

RCW: 46.20.311

WHO'S TAXED: Drivers who have had their licenses suspended; drivers may not

receive a new license following suspension or revocation until the

reinstatement fee has been paid

<u>TAX RATE:</u> \$20 (non-alcohol-related offense)

\$150 (alcohol-related) June 1998

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Highway Safety Fund

Impaired Driver Safety Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> As appropriated for driver-related programs

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1965 \$4 (same as regular license fee)

1973 \$10 in addition to regular fee

1982 \$20

1983 \$20 (\$50 for alcohol or drug-related offense)

1998 \$150 for alcohol or drug related offense

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$4,359,759

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$3,828,074

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$148,747 per \$1 increase per biennium

<u>REVENUE SOURCE:</u> Duplicate Driver License Fee

<u>RCW:</u> 46.20.200

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Individuals who wish to replace lost or destroyed permits,

identicards or driver licenses

<u>TAX RATE:</u> \$15 per license/ID card/permit

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Highway Safety Fund

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for driver-related programs

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1921 50 cents

1975 \$2.50 1985 \$5.00 2002 \$15.00

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$6,737,538

2005-07 FORECAST: \$7,014,043

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$452,026 per \$1 increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Farm Vehicle (On-Road) -- Gross Weight Fee

RCW: 46.16.090

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Farmers (for trucks and tractors moving farmer's own products to

warehouse or market, or for moving a neighboring farmer's products

on a seasonal basis)

<u>TAX RATE:</u> Combined licensing fee (defined in RCW 46.16.070), less \$23,

divided by two, plus \$23; paid annually

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> As appropriated for highway-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$2.4 million

2005-07 FORECAST: \$2.4 million

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$36,000 per \$1 added to gross weight fee per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Farm Vehicle Licensing Fee

RCW: 46.04.181, 46.16.025

WHO'S TAXED: Owners of farm vehicles as defined in RCW 46.04.081 which are

only incidentally used on highways are exempt from normal

licensing requirements; decal from Department of Licensing allows

limited use on or along public highways

TAX RATE: \$5, one time charge; valid as long as vehicle is used as a farm

vehicle

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> As appropriated for highway-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

<u>TAX HISTORY:</u> 1967 \$5

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$8,000

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$8,000

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$800 per \$1 per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Ferry Fares

<u>RCW:</u> 47.60.326

<u>WHO'S CHARGED:</u> People using ferries

RATE: Set by Transportation Commission; may be revised during the

biennium if total revenue from fares and other revenue deposited in the Puget Sound Ferry Operations Account are less than projected

total cost of maintenance and operations for the biennium.

<u>ADMINISTERED BY:</u> Department of Transportation -- Washington State Ferries

WHERE DEPOSITED: Puget Sound Ferry Operations Account

DISTRIBUTION & USE: Appropriated for ferry system operations

TAX EXEMPTIONS: Frequent users have the option of purchasing reduced fares; children

under five years of age are free (determined by Transportation

Commission)

TAX HISTORY: 1951 - State took over system

1952 - Reduction in cross-Sound fares to better match shorter routes

on a cost per mile basis

1955 - Across-the-board increase of 5 cents for passenger and 10

cents for auto fares

1957 - Across-the-board increase of 10% for all fares; actual fare

increases ranged from 0% to 15% due to rounding

1959 - Passenger fares increased 10 to 20 cents, and auto fares

increased by 10 cents

1964 - Across-the-board fare increase of 5 cents for both passengers

and autos, except for Bremerton, Clinton, and Sidney routes 1968 - Across the board increase of 5 cents for passengers and 10

cents for autos, except Anacortes/San Juans

1969 - Fare increases ranged from 5 to 15 cents for passengers, and

15 to 20 cents for autos

1972 - Raised Anacortes-Sidney fares only

1975 - Fare increases ranged from 0 to 20 cents for passengers, and 10 cents to \$1.05 for autos in attempt to establish uniform

multiple of 3.4 for auto fares vs. passenger fares

1977 - Raised Anacortes-Sidney fares only

1979 - Across-the-board fare increase of 13%; 20% summer surcharge instituted for autos; actual increase ranged from

0% to 15%

1980 - Across-the-board fare increase of 25%; actual increases

ranged from 20% to 27%

1981 - Across-the-board fare increase of 13%; actual increases

ranged from 11% to 14%

- 1982 Across-the-board fare increase of 6.6%; actual increases ranged from 5.4% to 7.4%
- 1984 Across-the-board fare increase of 4.7%; actual increases ranged from 9.5% to 20%
- 1987 Across-the-board fare increase of 3.0%
- 1992 Merger of commercial and recreational vehicles into a single oversized rate--first phase of oversized fare modifications
- 1993 Phase II of oversized vehicle fare modifications
- 1994 (May) Across-the-board nominal fare increase of 6.04%; Sidney fare raised 7.18%
- 1994 (October) Phase III of oversized vehicle fare modifications; Sidney fare raised an additional 6.46%
- 1996 Final phase of oversized vehicle fare modifications
- 1998 General fare increase of 2.28% plus rounding up to the nearest \$0.10 for passengers and \$0.25 for vehicles, and adjustments to the passenger coupon discount.
- 1999 General inflationary fare increase of 2.2% plus rounding up to the nearest \$0.10 for passengers and \$0.25 for vehicles, and a reduction of the frequent use passenger ticket book savings from 35% to 30%.
- 2001 General fare increase of 20% plus rounding up to the nearest \$0.10 for passengers and \$0.25 for vehicles.
- 2002 General fare increase of 12.5% plus rounding up to the nearest \$0.10 for passengers and \$0.25 for vehicles.
- 2003 General fare increase of 5% plus rounding up to the nearest \$0.10 for passengers and \$0.25 for vehicles.
- 2004 General fare increase of 5% plus rounding up to the nearest \$0.10 for passengers and \$0.25 for vehicles.

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$254,523,000 (current programmed level of service)

2005-07 FORECAST: \$266,900,000 (current programmed level of service and current

nominal fares)

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$2.7 million per 1% increase per biennium

For Hire Business Permit and Vehicle Certificate REVENUE SOURCE:

RCW: 46.72.030 (permit fee)

46.72.070 (certificate fee)

46.72.070 (new certificate fee)

WHO'S TAXED: Owners of for hire (taxis) businesses and vehicles. Permit is

> required for place of business, certificate required in each vehicle. Owners must have liability insurance or post bond. Changes in

insurance require an application for a new certificate.

\$5 one time only charge for privilege of operating business; \$20 TAX RATE:

annual fee per vehicle for certificates

Department of Licensing **ADMINISTERED BY:**

Highway Safety Fund WHERE DEPOSITED:

DISTRIBUTION & USE: For support of driver-related programs

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

1947 - \$5 one time only charge; \$1 annual fee per vehicle for **TAX HISTORY:**

certificates

1993 - Annual fee increased to \$20

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$71,575

\$60,944 2005-07 FORECAST:

\$3,500 per \$1 increase per biennium VALUE OF INCREASE:

REVENUE SOURCE: Hulk Haulers, Scrap Processors, and Wreckers License

Plate Fees

RCW: 46.79.060 (hulk hauler/scrap processor special plate fee

46.80.060 (wrecker special plate fee)

WHO'S TAXED: Hulk haulers - businesses that transport destroyed vehicles or parts

(RCW 46.79)

Scrap processors - businesses that recycle salvage vehicles through

baling and shredding (RCW 46.79)

Wreckers - businesses that dismantle vehicles for the purpose of

selling second-hand parts (RCW 46.80)

<u>TAX RATE:</u> Special license plates for all of above: one time fee of \$5 for

original plates and \$2 for additional plates with same license number, for display on operational and transported vehicles. This

plate is in addition to regular license plates.

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for highway-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

<u>TAX HISTORY:</u> Vehicle Wreckers: 1947 \$5 original, \$2 additional

Hulk Haulers: 1971 \$5 original, \$2 additional Scrap Processors: 1971 \$5 original, \$2 additional

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$15,000

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$15,000

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$1,500 per 10% increase per biennium

<u>REVENUE SOURCE:</u> Hulk Haulers and Scrap Processors – Business and

Vehicle Licenses

RCW: 46.79.040 (hulk hauler/scrap processor fee)

46.79.050 (renewal) 46.80.040 (wrecker fee) 46.80.050 (renewal)

WHO'S TAXED: Hulk haulers - businesses that transport destroyed vehicles or parts

(RCW 46.79)

Scrap processors - businesses that recycle salvage vehicles through

baling and shredding (RCW 46.79)

Wreckers - businesses that wreck vehicles for the purpose of selling

second-hand parts (RCW 46.80)

TAX RATE: Annual fee

Hulk haulers: \$10 new, \$10 renewal Scrap processors: \$25 new, \$10 renewal Wreckers: \$25 new, \$10 renewal

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for highway-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: Vehicle Wreckers: 1947 \$25 new, \$10 renewal

Hulk Haulers: 1971 \$10 new, \$10 renewal Scrap Processors: 1971 \$25 new, \$10 renewal

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$18,000

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$22,000

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$1,800 per 10% increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: International Fuel Tax Agreement Decal

<u>RCW:</u> RCW 82.38.110

WHO'S TAXED: Motor Carriers

TAX RATE: \$10 per year per set of decals

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> 18th Amendment funds to be used for highway purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

<u>TAX HISTORY:</u> 2002 \$10

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$602,906

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$620,000

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$62,000 per \$1 of increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: International/Nonresident Vessel Identification Document

Fee

RCW: 88.02.025

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Vessels owned by nonresidents brought into Washington

temporarily for no more than six months in a continuous 12-month

period

<u>TAX RATE:</u> \$25 at the time of issuance of identification document

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Treasurer's Office

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Allocated to counties for approved boating safety programs under

RCW 88.02.045

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

<u>TAX HISTORY:</u> 1998 \$25

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$18,000

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$18,000

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$720 per \$1 of increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Log Truck Additional Weight Permit

<u>RCW:</u> 46.44.047

WHO'S TAXED: Vehicle owner who wishes to carry additional weight (up to 6,800

additional pounds) on vehicle licensed to maximum gross weight of

68,000 pounds

<u>TAX RATE:</u> \$50 per year--prorated for shorter time periods

\$35.50 if issued after July1 \$25.00 if issued after October 1 \$12.50 if issued after January 1

<u>ADMINISTERED BY:</u> Department of Transportation

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for highway-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

<u>TAX HISTORY:</u> 1953 \$50

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$0 (Revenue reported in oversize/overweight fees)

2005-07 FORECAST: \$0 (Revenue reported in oversize/overweight fees)

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$0 (Revenue reported in oversize/overweight fees)

Note: The revenue associated with additional tonnage, special permit fees, and log tolerance permits are included in the <u>Special Permit Fee for Oversize/Overweight Movements</u> (page 96).

<u>REVENUE SOURCE:</u> Mobile Home Title Elimination Fee

RCW: 65.20.090

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Applicant for elimination of vehicle title when the mobile

(manufactured) home is affixed to land owned by the applicant

<u>TAX RATE:</u> \$25 each application (set by DOL director)

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for highway-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1989 \$25 (Set by DOL Director)

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$592,003

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$647,432

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$50,000 per \$1 increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Mobile Home/Travel Trailer Dealer Excise Tax

RCW: 82.50

Chapter 1, 1st Special Session, Laws of 2000 repealed the mobile home/travel trailer dealer excise tax, effective January 1, 2000.

WHO'S TAXED: Mobile home and travel trailer dealers

<u>TAX RATE:</u> \$2 per dealer license plate or duplicate

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: General Fund

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for general government

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1979 \$2 per license plate or duplicate

2000 Eliminated by Chapter 1, 1st Special Session, Laws of 2000

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$0

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$0

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$0

<u>REVENUE SOURCE:</u> Monthly Combined Licensing Fee

<u>RCW:</u> 46.16.135

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Vehicle owners purchasing licenses for periods of less than one

year; for vehicles with a declared gross weight in excess of 12,000

pounds

<u>TAX RATE:</u> \$2 fee for each monthly period the vehicle will be used paid in

addition to the monthly portion of combined licensing fee;

additional \$2 administration fee is also collected.

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for highway-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

<u>TAX HISTORY:</u> 1951 \$1

1979 \$2

1985 \$2 plus \$2 for each month of license purchase

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$1.1 million

2005-07 FORECAST: \$1.1 million

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$550,000 per \$1 increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Motor Vehicle Excise Tax (MVET)

<u>RCW:</u> 82.44.020 (tax)

82.44.041 (valuation)

Chapter 1, 1st Special Session, Laws of 2000 repealed the motor

vehicle excise tax, effective January 1, 2000

WHO'S TAXED: Owners of motor vehicles, trailers, and semi-trailers

TAX RATE: Annual rate of 2.2% of vehicle value:

- 2.0% of value base

- 0.2% of value dedicated to state transportation

Vehicle value is determined according to two valuation schedules set in statute (see RCW 82.44.041): one for all commercial trucks and non-commercial trucks over 6,000 pounds, and one for all other vehicles. For heavy trucks, original value is determined by sales price; for other vehicles, the manufacturer's suggested retail price is used.

Trucks over 40,000 pounds G.V.W. used in combination with trailers pay rate of 2.78%; MVET eliminated for commercial trailers used in combination with trucks paying the 2.78% rate.

Log trucks pay 2.2% rate.

Simplifying amendments in Referendum 49 (EHB 2894) combined the tax rate to 2.2, changed depreciation curve for "all other vehicles" and adjusted the distribution formula (RCW 82.44.110) to maintain revenue neutrality.

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

Puget Sound Ferry Operations Account

Puget Sound Ferry Capital Construction Account

Transportation Fund (Former to Multimodal Transportation Account)

High Capacity Transportation Account

Central Puget Sound Public Transportation Account

Public Transportation Systems Account

Passenger Ferry Account

County Criminal Justice Assistance Accounts Municipal Criminal Justice Assistance Accounts

County Public Health Account

County Sales and Use Tax Equalization Account Municipal Sales and Use Tax Equalization Account Violence Reduction and Drug Enforcement Account

Distressed County Assistance Account

City Police and Fire Protection Assistance Account

General Fund

DISTRIBUTION & USE:

State and local transportation

City and county criminal justice

City public safety County public health

Cities and counties for general use

Distressed counties

Mass transit

High capacity transportation development

TAX EXEMPTIONS:

- Vehicles owned by governments (including transit agencies) (RCW 82.44.010)
- ♦ Vehicles used entirely on private property (RCW 82.44.010(2)
- ♦ Vans used for ridesharing (RCW 82.44.015)
- ♦ Mobile homes, travel trailers and campers (RCW 82.44.010(2)
- Vehicles owned by nonresident military personnel (RCW 82.44.010(2)
- ◆ Private school buses (RCW 46.16.035, 82.44.010)
- ♦ Vehicles registered by leasing corporations (i.e., rental cars) (RCW 82.44.023)

TAX HISTORY:

- 1937 1.5% of value
- 1943 House trailers included
- 1955 House trailers deleted
- 1959 2.0% of value
- 1965 House trailers added
- 1971 Mobile homes exempt
- 1977 2.2% (.2% to ferry construction)
- 1982 2.288% (4% surtax added)
- 1983 2.354% (increased surtax to 7%)
- 1987 2.454% (increased 0.1% dedicated to ferry operations and 1% transit match reduced in four counties to fund Rail Development Account)
- 1990 Changes vehicle valuation schedules and base rate; new 2.0% base rate revenue neutral with prior 2.454% rate (effective 9/1/90)
 - Adds 0.2% surtax to base rate; to be deposited in Transportation Fund (effective 9/1/90)
 - Makes permanent funding for ferry operations
 - Deposits MVET available to, but not matched by, transit districts in Transportation Fund (effective 7/1/91)
 - Reduces maximum MVET available for transit match from 0.815% (under new law) to 0.725% (effective 1/1/93)
 - Directs revenue that would have been matched by transit under old rate to new accounts to fund transit-related projects (effective 1/1/93)
 - Transfers MVET equal to 0.1% vehicle value from General Fund to Transportation Fund (effective 7/1/93)

- 1992 Consumers required to pay 5.9% sales tax on vehicle rentals in lieu of dealer paying MVET (effective 1/1/93)
- 1993 Transit residual goes to General Fund instead of Transportation Fund for 1993-95 biennium
 - 0.1% transfer from General Fund to Transportation Fund deferred from 7/1/93 to 7/1/95
 - Rate for trucks over 40,000 lbs. GVW increased from 2.2% to 2.78%; MVET eliminated for trailers used in combination with such trucks
- 1994 Transit systems receiving less than 80% of the per capita statewide average sales and use tax are eligible for transit sales and use tax equalization payments (effective 1/1/96)
- 1995 Modified distributions to High Capacity Transportation Account to fund newly-created Passenger Ferry Account
- 1997 Establishes a permanent funding mechanism for the Violence Reduction and Drug Enforcement Account
- 1998 Referendum 49 changes the MVET structure and distribution and provides a \$30 tax credit:
 - Surtax of 0.2% of vehicle value eliminated; MVET rate consolidated at 2.2%
 - Depreciation schedule adjusted to reduce tax liability for vehicles 2-3 years old
 - Distribution to motor vehicle fund increases to finance new highway construction projects
 - General fund receives no MVET revenue; MVET distributions to transit systems and transportation-related accounts paid out of the transportation fund.
 Transportation fund receives additional MVET revenue to make transit distributions.
 - Yakima Transit and Everett Transit eligible to receive MVET distributions
 - MVET distributions to county and municipal criminal justice accounts decreases; general fund revenues replace and supplant criminal justice distributions
 - Eliminates funding for violence reduction and drug enforcement account
 - Increases distributions for municipal sales and uses tax equalization.

2000 Repealed by Chapter 1, 1st Special Session, Laws of 2000

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$0

2005-07 FORECAST: \$0

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$0

Historical MVET Distributions

1995-1997 Biennium through 1997-1999 Biennium (Dollars in Millions)

	<u>95-97</u>	<u>97-99</u>
Collections:		
Total Collections	<u>\$1,374.9</u>	<u>\$1,617.7</u>
Distributions:		
DOL	\$19.5	\$24.1
Ferry Capital	101.9	119.9
Ferry Operations	50.8	59.9
Counties	20.0	23.7
Cities	59.4	70.0
County Public Health	30.4	45.9
Criminal Justice	104.5	147.4
Transportation Fund	188.1	353.3
Motor Vehicle Fund	0.0	38.6
General Fund	800.3	<u>734.9</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$1,374.9</u>	<u>\$1,617.7</u>
Distributions from General Fund and Transportation Fund: *		
Transit Districts	345.6	401.3
Transit Equalization	2.3	5.2
CPSPTA & PTSA	18.1	19.8
Passenger Ferry	0.5	0.6
High Capacity Transp. Acct.	12.7	14.6

Transit district and transit-related distributions were paid from the General Fund and the Transportation Fund (after Referendum 49) in the 97-99 biennium. CPSPTA and PTSA stand for Central Puget Sound Public Transportation Account and Public Transportation Systems Account.

REVENUE SOURCE: Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax and Special Fuel Tax

(Motor Fuel Tax)

RCW: 82.36 (motor vehicle fuel tax)

82.36.025 (motor vehicle fuel tax rate)

82.38 (special fuel tax)

46.68.090 (distribution of motor fuel tax revenue)

46.68.110 (distribution of amount allocated to cities and towns) 46.68.120 (distribution of amount allocated to counties-generally)

WHO'S TAXED: Gasoline and diesel consumers pay same rate

TAX RATE: 28 cents per gallon

<u>ADMINISTERED BY:</u> Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account (RCW 46.68.070)

Transportation 2003 (Nickel) Account (RCW 46.68.280)

Urban Arterial Trust Account (RCW 47.26.080) Rural Arterial Trust Account (RCW 36.79.020)

Transportation Improvement Account (RCW 47.26.084) County Arterial Preservation Account (RCW 46.68.090 (2)(i))

Special Category C Account (RCW 46.68.090 (2)(b))
Puget Sound Ferry Operations Account (RCW 47.60.530)
Puget Sound Capital Construction Account (RCW 47.60.505)

A portion of fuel tax (representing unclaimed nonhighway use refunds) is transferred to the following accounts:

- Marine Fuel Tax Refund Account (RCW 79A.25.040)

- Recreation Resource Account (RCW 79A.25.060,

79A.25.070)

- ORV and Nonhighway Vehicle Account (RCW 46.09.170)

Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities Program

Account (RCW 46.09.165, 46.09.170)

Snowmobile Account (RCW 46.10.075, RCW 46.10.150)

Aeronautics Account (RCW 82.42.090, 82.36.415)

DISTRIBUTION & USE: Cost of administration

Refunds & transfers

City streets County roads

Transportation Improvement Account (Funded Program)

Urban Arterial Trust Account (Funded Programs)

Rural Arterial Program

County Arterial Preservation Program

Ferry operations

Ferry capital construction

State highways

TAX EXEMPTIONS:

Motor vehicle fuel tax and special fuel tax

Nonhighway use of motor vehicle fuel (RCW 82.36.280) except as noted below

Transportation providers for elderly/handicapped (RCW 82.36.285, 82.38.080(1)(h))

Urban transportation systems (RCW 82.36.275, 82.38.080(3))

Employees/representatives of foreign governments (gasoline only) (RCW 82.36.245)

Lost or destroyed fuel (RCW 82.36.370, 82.38.180)

Power take-off equipment (RCW 82.36.280(2), 82.38.080(1)(d))

(<u>Note</u>: No exemption is provided for off-road use of motor vehicle fuel tax in vehicles licensed for road use (RCW 82.36.280))

Special fuel tax only

Dyed special fuel (RCW 82.38.020(23))

Government-owned vehicles used for road construction and maintenance(RCW 82.38.080(1)(a))

Public owned fire fighting equipment (RCW 82.38.080(1)(b))

Mobile construction-type equipment (RCW 82.38.080(1)(c))

U.S. government vehicles (RCW 82.38.080(1)(e))

Heating fuel (RCW 82.38.080(1)(f))

Incidental movement of off-road vehicles (RCW 82.38.080(1)(g))

For logging operations on federal land (RCW 82.38.080(1)(j))

TAX HISTORY:

- 1921 1 cent/gallon
- 1929 2 cents
- 1931 4 cents
- 1933 5 cents—Off-highway refunds
- 1935 Fuel oil at 1/4 cent/gallon
- 1941 5 cents on use fuel (diesel)
- 1944 18th Amendment to State Constitution
- 1949 6.5 cents/repeal fuel oil tax of 1935
- 1961 7.5 cents
- 1967 9 cents
- 1977 11 cents
- 1979 12 cents
- 1981 13.5 cents
- 1982 12 cents (variable rate study decrease)
- 1983 16 cents
- 1984 18 cents
- 1990 22 cents (effective April 1, 1990)
- 1991 23 cents (effective April 1, 1991)
- 1999 Raised the imposition of the motor fuel tax from the distributor/dealer to the supplier (terminal-rack).
- 2003 28 cents (effective July 1, 2003)

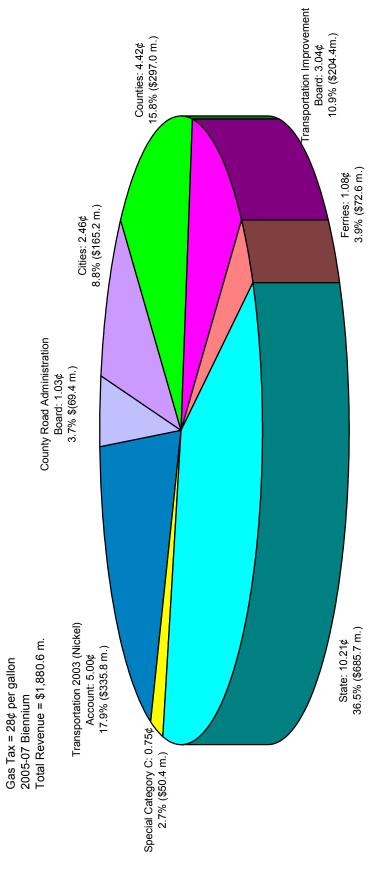
2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$1.781 billion (net for distribution*)

2005-07 FORECAST: \$1.881 billion (net for distribution*)

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$67.2 million per 1 cent increase per biennium

* Net for Distribution - Gross gas tax collections less refunds for nonhighway use, transfers to nonhighway accounts in lieu of refunds, and administrative expenses of the Department of Licensing.

Gas Tax Revenue Distribution



Motor Fuel Tax Distributions

2003-05 BIENNIUM THROUGH 2009-11 BIENNIUM (Dollars in Millions)

	<u>03-05</u>	<u>05-07</u>	<u>07-09</u>	<u>09-11</u>
Gross Gasoline Tax	\$1513	\$1,590	\$1,677	\$1,751
	354	389	422	448
Gross Special Fuel Tax				_
Less: Refunds & Transfers	75	87	94	100
Less: Administrative Expenses	11	12	12	13
Net Fuel Tax for Distribution 1/	1,781	1,881	1,993	2,086
State Highway Program	660	686	727	761
Transportation 2003 Account	294	336	356	373
State Highway Program - Special Category C	48	50	53	56
Ferry Capital Construction	35	37	39	41
Ferry Operations	35	36	38	40
Transportation Improvement Account	84	88	93	97
Urban Arterial Trust Account Program	112	117	124	130
Cities - Normal Distribution 2/ & 3/	159	165	175	183
Counties - Normal Distribution 2/	286	297	315	329
County Arterial Preservation Program	29	30	32	34
Rural Arterial Program	38	39	42	43
Total	1,781	1,881	1,993	2,086

Notes: (Totals may differ due to rounding)

^{1/} Net fuel tax is net of transfers and refunds for fuel used for nonhighway purposes such as marine, snowmobile and other nonhighway use.

^{2/ 1.5} percent and 0.33 percent are transferred from the cities and the counties normal distribution to the state, for state supervision and studies, respectively.

^{3/} One percent of cities normal distribution is transferred to the Urban Arterial Trust Account for expenditure on the City Hardship Assistance Program.

^{4/} Based on Fuel Tax Revenue Forecast November 2004.

Distribution of 28 Cent Gas Tax*

Dedicated 23-Cent Distribution

(RCW 46.68.090)(2) State Highway Program 44.3870% 10.21 cents State Highway Program (Special Category C) 3.2609% 0.75 cents Urban Arterial Trust Account 7.5597% 1.74 cents Counties - Normal Distribution 19.2287% 4.42 cents Cities - Normal Distribution 10.6961% 2.46 cents **Ferry Operations** 2.3283% 0.54 cents Ferry Capital Construction 2.3726% 0.55 cents Rural Arterial Trust Program 2.5363% 0.58 cents County Arterial Preservation Program 1.9565% 0.45 cents Transportation Improvement Account 5.6739% 1.30 cents 23.00 cents **TOTAL** 100.00%

Dedicated 5-Cent Distribution

(RCW 46.68.090)(3)

Transportation 2003 Account 100% 5.00 cents

* DOL costs of collection, refunds and transfers related to nonhighway use of motor fuel are deducted from gross collections before the above distributions are calculated.

28 Cent Gas Tax - Distributions and Uses

• STATE HIGHWAY PROGRAM

- Distribution: 10.21 cents
- Revenue deposited in Motor Vehicle Account
- Appropriated for Department of Transportation highway programs
- 2005-2007 estimate: \$685.7 million

TRANSPORTATION 2003 ACCOUNT (NICKEL ACCOUNT)

- Distribution: 5.00 cents
- New account created in 2003 to be the repository of the 5 cent tax increase Account used for cash funding for highway and ferry projects identified by the legislature and for the payment of costs for bond sales to provide debt financing for highway projects.
- 2005-2007 estimate: \$335.8 million

• STATE HIGHWAY PROGRAM - SPECIAL CATEGORY C

- Distribution: 0.75 cents
- Revenue deposited in Motor Vehicle Account
- Provides bond financing for high cost projects
- Project list includes First Avenue South Bridge in Seattle, SR 18 from Auburn to North Bend, and the North-South Corridor in Spokane
- 2005-2007 estimate: \$50.4 million

RURAL ARTERIAL PROGRAM

- Distribution: 0.58 cents
- Revenue deposited in Rural Arterial Trust Account
- Distributed by County Road Administration Board (CRAB) to counties on a regionally competitive basis for construction and reconstruction of rural arterials and collectors.
 Regional allocation is based on rural land area and eligible road mileage.
- 2005-2007 estimate: \$39.2 million

• TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT (FUNDED PROGRAM)

- Distribution: 1.30 cents
- Established in 1988 to improve the mobility of people and goods in Washington State by supporting economic development and environmentally responsive solutions to our statewide transportation system.
- Distributed by Transportation Improvement Board on project basis
- Transportation Partnership Program
 - ◆ The Transportation Partnership Program provides funding for cities with a population greater than 5,000, urban counties, and Transportation Benefit Districts (TBD).
 - ◆ Transportation Partnership Program projects address congestion caused by economic development or fast growth. They must be consistent with state, regional, and local transportation plans. Project must also be partially funded by local contributions.
- 2005-2007 estimate: \$87.6 million

• URBAN ARTERIAL TRUST ACCOUNT (FUNDED PROGRAMS)

- Distribution: 1.74 cents
- Established in 1967 to fund transportation projects for urban cities and urban counties.
- Administered by the Transportation Improvement Board
- Arterial Improvement Program

- ◆ The intent of the arterial improvement program is to improve mobility and safety while supporting an environment essential to the quality of life of the citizens of Washington State.
- Eligible agencies are counties with urban areas, cities and towns within an urban area, and cities with a population of five thousand or greater.
- Small City Program
 - ◆ The intent of the small city program is to preserve and improve the roadway system in a manner that is consistent with local needs.
 - An eligible agency is a city or town that has a population less than five thousand.
- Pedestrian Safety and Mobility Program
 - ♦ The Pedestrian Safety and Mobility Program provides funds to enhance and promote pedestrian mobility and safety as a viable transportation choice by improving safety, providing access, and addressing system continuity and connectivity.
- City Hardship Assistance Program
 - ♦ The City Hardship Assistance Program provides funding to offset extraordinary costs associated with the transfer of state highways to cities with a population less than 20,000.
 - City Hardship Assistance Program projects are selected based on structural condition, accident experience, and relationship to other local agency projects.
- 2005-2007 estimate: \$116.8 million (excludes the \$1.7 million transfer from the city distributions to the UATA to fund the City Hardship Assistance Program)

COUNTY ARTERIAL PRESERVATION PROGRAM

- Distribution: 0.45 cent
- Revenue deposited in County Arterial Preservation Account
- To sustain structural, safety, and operational integrity of urban and rural county arterials
- Distributions by County Road Administration Board (CRAB) based on paved arterial lane miles in unincorporated areas
- 2005-2007 estimate: \$30.2 million

COUNTIES - NORMAL DISTRIBUTION

- Distribution: 4.42 cents (4.34 cents after deductions for state supervision and studies)
- Pierce, Skagit and Whatcom counties are first reimbursed for 50% of any deficit incurred during the previous fiscal year in operating their county-owned ferry systems (limited to \$1,000,000 per biennium)
- 1.5% provided to DOT and CRAB for statutory regulation, supervision of grants and technical support to counties
- Up to 0.33% for studies
- Sums required to be repaid to counties composed of islands are provided (San Juan and Island counties) (RCW 46.68.080/ "Capron Act")
- Remainder distributed according to following formula: 10% evenly distributed, 30% by population, 30% based on annual road cost (maintenance costs plus 1/25 of replacement costs), 30% based on annual monetary needs; for construction and maintenance of county roads
- 2005-2007 estimate: \$ 297.0 million (\$291.2 million after deductions)

• CITIES - NORMAL DISTRIBUTION

- Distribution: 2.46 cents (2.39 cents after deductions for state supervision, studies, and City Hardship Assistance Account)
- Up to 1.5% distributed to DOT for supervision of federal grants and roadwork

- Up to 0.33% for studies
- 1% to City Hardship Assistance Program to help small cities that take over maintenance of state highways within their boundaries
- Remainder distributed by population for construction and maintenance of streets
- 2005-2007 estimate: \$165.2 million (\$160.6 million after deductions)

• FERRY OPERATIONS

- Distribution: 0.54 cents

Revenue deposited in Puget Sound Ferry Operations Account

- 2005-2007 estimate: \$36.0 million

FERRY CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION

- Distribution: 0.55 cents

Revenue deposited in Puget Sound Capital Construction Account

- 2005-2007 estimate: \$36.7 million

REVENUE SOURCE: Motor Vehicle Registration Fee

<u>RCW:</u> 46.16.0621 (fee)

46.68.030 (distribution)

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Owners of passenger cars, motorcycles, motor homes, for hire

vehicles (6 or less passenger capacity), taxicabs, horseless carriages, restored vehicles, stage vehicles with 6 or less seats, travel trailers, personal trailers, other trailers not paying combined licensing fee and tow trucks; other vehicles must pay the combined licensing fee based on gross weight (see *Combined Licensing Fee*, page 43, for

more information)

<u>TAX RATE:</u> Original registration -\$30; renewal registration -\$30

10-cent study fee and 50-cent field service fee formerly collected in conjunction with vehicle registration eliminated by Chapter 1, 1st

Special Session, Laws of 2000

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED:		<u>Original</u>	Renewal
	State Patrol Highway Account	20.35	20.35
	Ferry Operations Account	2.02	.93
	Motor Vehicle Account	<u>7.63</u>	<u>8.72</u>
		\$30	\$30

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for State Patrol, ferry operations, and highway-related

activities

<u>TAX EXEMPTIONS:</u> Vehicles owned by government agencies (RCW 46.16.020)

Vehicles owned by Indian tribes (RCW 46.16.020, 46.16.022)

Vehicles owned by governments of foreign countries (RCW

46.16.020)

Buses owned by private schools (RCW 46.16.035)

TAX HISTORY: Original & Renewal

1909 @ \$3.00 1917 @ \$5.00 1919 @\$10.00 1932 @ \$3.00 1949 @ \$5.00 1949 @ \$6.50 1961 @ \$6.90 1965 @ \$8.00 1969 @ \$9.40

	Original	Renewal	
1977	@\$13.40	\$ 9.40	
1981	@\$23.00	\$19.00	
1987	@\$27.75	\$23.75	
2000	@\$30.00	\$30.00	
2002	Changed c	listribution o	f Original fee

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$284 million

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$296 million

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$9.5 million per \$1 of registration fee increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Motorcycle Endorsement Fee/Instruction Permit

RCW: 46.20.505 (exam and endorsement fee)

46.20.510 (instruction permit fee)

WHO'S TAXED: Motorcycle drivers; applicant must be at least 16 years old and have

a driver license

<u>TAX RATE:</u> \$10 for initial endorsement, plus \$5 examination fee

\$25 renewal endorsement, payable every 5 years

\$15 instruction permit

Motorcycle drivers must have their driver license specially endorsed which requires passage of the motorcycle exam; the exam may be

taken up to three times at no additional cost

Instruction permits are good for 90 days and may be renewed for a

second 90-day period

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motorcycle Safety Education Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for motorcycle safety education

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1967 \$4 initial exam, \$2 renewal exam

1987 \$6 initial exam, \$4 renewal exam

1988 \$7 initial or new category, \$5 renewal exam

1989 \$2 exam fee, \$6 initial or new category endorsement, \$7.50

renewal endorsement, \$2.50 instruction permit

1993 \$2 exam fee, \$6 initial or new category endorsement, \$14

renewal endorsement, \$2.50 instruction permit

1999 \$2 exam fee, \$10 initial or new category endorsement,

\$25 renewal endorsement, \$2.50 instruction permit

2002 \$5 exam fee, \$15 renewal endorsement

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$3,039,261

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$2,915,655

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$148,368 per \$1 increase per biennium:

Original \$ 30,918 Renewal Exam/Endorsement \$ 87,136 Instruction Permits \$ 30314 REVENUE SOURCE: Natural Gas and Propane Fee

RCW 82.38.075

WHO'S TAXED: Vehicles powered by natural gas or propane

<u>TAX RATE:</u> In lieu of paying the special fuels tax (same as gas tax) on a per

gallon basis, users of vehicles powered by natural gas or propane pay an annual fee based on the gross weight of the vehicle. The annual fee is indexed to increase with increases in the special fuels

tax rate.

Gross Weight

0 - 10,000	\$110.00
10,001 - 18,000	\$191.66
18,001 - 28,000	\$261.66
28,001 - 36,000	\$355.00
36,001 and above	\$588.34

(A \$5 fee for cost of administration is included in above fees)

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for highway-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY:

	<u> 1977</u>	1979	2004
Gross Weight			
0 - 6,000	\$60	45	110
6,001 - 10,000	70	45	110
10,001 - 18,000	80	80	192
18,001 - 28,000	110	110	262
28,001 - 36,000	150	150	355
36,001 and above	250	250	588

^{**1983} Adds indexing (uses 1979 rates as base)

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$1.3 million

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$1.3 million

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$8,200 per \$1 increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Occupational Driver License Fee

RCW: 46.20.380 (fee)

46.20.410 (penalty)

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Drivers who have had their driver license suspended or revoked; for

work-related use only; license may not be issued in first 30 days

following suspension or revocation; only one issuance

<u>TAX RATE:</u> \$25 nonrefundable application fee

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Highway Safety Fund

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for support of driver-related programs

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

<u>TAX HISTORY:</u> 1961 \$10

1985 \$25 2004 \$100

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$310,506

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$574,959

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$5,136 per \$1 increase per biennium

Off-Road Vehicle Use Permit REVENUE SOURCE:

46.09.070 (fee) RCW:

46.09.110 (where deposited)

Off-road vehicle owners WHO'S TAXED:

\$18 for annual permit TAX RATE:

\$7 for 60-day temporary permit

\$10 transfer fee

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities

> 82% Program (NOVA) Account Motor Vehicle Account 18%

100%

DISTRIBUTION & USE: Appropriated for outdoor recreation and highway-related purposes

(Outdoor Recreation Account appropriations found in General Fund

budget)

None TAX EXEMPTIONS:

TAX HISTORY: 1971 \$5 new & renewal; \$1 transfer fee; \$2 nonresident permit

> 1986 \$5 new & renewal; \$1 transfer fee; \$2 temporary use permit 2002 \$5 new & renewal; \$5 transfer fee; \$2 temporary use permit 2004 \$18 new & renewal; \$10 transfer fee; \$7 temporary use

> > permit

\$1,147,332 2003-05 ESTIMATE:

2005-07 FORECAST: \$3,227,569

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$200,000 per \$1 increase per biennium REVENUE SOURCE: Personalized Plates

RCW: 46.16.585 (\$30 basic fee/\$20 renewal fee)

46.16.590 (transfer fee) 46.16.605 (where deposited) 46.16.606 (additional \$10 fee)

WHO'S TAXED: Vehicle owners

TAX RATE: \$40 set of new plates/\$30 for renewal of plates; paid in addition to

the regular vehicle registration fee and any other required fees or

taxes (RCW 46.16.585)

To transfer plates to another vehicle, a \$10 fee is charged in addition

to all other fees

<u>ADMINISTERED BY:</u> Department of Licensing

<u>WHERE DEPOSITED:</u> Wildlife Fund (transfer fee deposited in Motor Vehicle Account)

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated to Department of Licensing to cover administrative

costs of program and to Department of Fish and Wildlife for

wildlife protection and enhancement

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1973 \$30 new, \$20 renewal

1991 \$40 new, \$30 renewal

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$5.6 million

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$5.7 million

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$170,000 per \$1 increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Prisoner of War/Disabled Veteran Plate

RCW: 73.04.110

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Discharged American veterans who satisfy the U.S. Department of

Veteran's Affairs 100 percent disability criteria; discharged American veterans who were captured and incarcerated for more

than 29 days.

<u>TAX RATE:</u> No fee; exempt from all licensing fees and excise tax for one vehicle

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Not applicable

DISTRIBUTION & USE: Not applicable

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

<u>TAX HISTORY:</u> 1949 Free plates authorized for disabled veterans

1980 \$5 transfer fee added

1982 Free plates authorized for prisoners of war

2003-05 ESTIMATE: Not applicable

2005-07 FORECAST: Not applicable

VALUE OF INCREASE: Not applicable

REVENUE SOURCE: **Proportional Registration Plates and Fees**

RCW: 46.87

> 46.87.090 (replacement plate fees) 46.87.130 (\$4.50 transaction fee)

46.68.035 (registration revenue distribution)

Businesses engaged in interstate commerce that operate in WHO'S TAXED:

Washington and are registered as part of the International

Registration Plan (IRP).

TAX RATE: Registration: Under IRP, the cost of registration is based on the

percentage of total miles traveled in member states and provinces; the base state or province collects the entire fee and

transmits appropriate amounts to other states; applies to the

combined licensing fee.

Apportioned plates: \$10 for vehicles required to display two apportioned plates and \$5 for vehicles required to display one

plate.

Cab card: \$2

Validation tab: \$2

Vehicle transaction fee: \$4.50 each time a vehicle is added to a

Washington-based fleet and each time the proportional

registration is renewed.

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Prorate combined licensing fee distributed per RCW 46.68.035 (See

<u>Combined Licensing Fee</u>, page 43). Plate fees and transaction fees

distributed to the Motor Vehicle Account.

DISTRIBUTION & USE: Appropriated for highway-related purposes, to the State Patrol, and

to Washington State Ferries

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

1985 \$10 - two apportioned plates; \$5 - one apportioned plate TAX HISTORY:

> Adds: Cab card, \$2; validation tab, \$2; backing plate, \$2; 1987

> > maximum transaction fee set at \$10 (DOL sets at \$4.50)

\$1.5 million 2003-05 ESTIMATE: Plates and fees:

> Combined licensing fee: \$74.1 million MVET: \$0 million

\$1.5 million 2005-07 FORECAST: Plates and fees:

> Combined licensing fee: \$73.0 million

MVET: \$0 million

VALUE OF INCREASE: Plates and fees: \$60,000 per \$1 increase per bien.

> Combined licensing fee: \$730,000 per 1% increase per bien.

\$0 per 1% increase per biennium MVET:

<u>REVENUE SOURCE:</u> Reflectorized Plate Fee

RCW: 46.16.237

WHO'S TAXED: Vehicle owners

TAX RATE: 50 cents per plate

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for highway-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1967 50 cents per plate

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$2.0 million

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$3.0 million

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$6.0 million per \$1 increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Rental Vehicle Sales Tax (in lieu of MVET)

RCW: 82.08.020

WHO'S TAXED: Consumers who rent vehicles; tax is in lieu of motor vehicle excise

tax on rental vehicles

<u>TAX RATE:</u> 5.9% of rental contract amount; rate was set to generate same

revenue as what the MVET on rental vehicles would have generated

<u>ADMINISTERED BY:</u> Department of Revenue

WHERE DEPOSITED: Multimodal Transportation Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> General Transportation

<u>TAX EXEMPTIONS:</u> Vehicles rented or loaned to customers by automotive repair

businesses while the customer's vehicle is under repair (RCW

46.04.465)

Vehicles licensed and operated as taxicabs (RCW 46.04.045)

TAX HISTORY: 1992 5.9% of rental contract amount

1998 Consolidated the distribution of in-lieu MVET consistent

with the MVET; surtax distribution eliminated.

2000 After enactment of Chapter 1, 1st Special Session, Laws of

2000, distributed to Multimodal Transportation Account

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$41.2 million

2005-07 FORECAST: \$46.6 million

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$7.9 million for each 1% increase in tax rate per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Replacement Plate and Tab Fees

<u>RCW:</u> 46.16.270 (plate replacement fees)

46.16.233 (periodic replacement program and license plate number

retention)

WHO'S TAXED: Vehicle owners who purchase replacement plates and tabs

<u>TAX RATE:</u> \$3 per replacement plate

\$2 per replacement plate for motorcycles \$1 per set of replacement license plate tabs

\$20 per vehicle retaining current license plate number

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

Multimodal fund (plate number retention fee)

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for highway-related purposes

<u>TAX EXEMPTIONS:</u> The following are exempt from the periodic plate replacement

program under 46.16.233: commercial vehicles over 26,000 lbs, state and local government vehicles, horseless carriages, medal of honor recipients, and trailers licensed in combination with a tractor

and weighing over 40,000 lbs.

TAX HISTORY: 1915 50 cents per plate

1921 \$2 for one or two plates

1929 \$1 per plate

Same as original fee for two plates; \$1 for single plate \$2 per plate; \$1 per motorcycle plate; \$1 for tabs or

windshield emblem if issued instead of plates

\$3 per plate; \$2 per motorcycle plate; \$1 for tabs, etc.
 Established the mandatory periodic plate replacement

program

2004 \$20 license plate number retention option under the

mandatory periodic plate replacement program

2003-05 ESTIMATE: Plate Replacement: \$5.7 million

Plate Number Retention: \$ 0.6 million

2005-07 FORECAST: Plate Replacement: \$6.5 million

Plate Number Retention: \$ 0.8 million

VALUE OF INCREASE: Plate Replacement: \$1.3 million per \$1 increase per

biennium

Plate Number Retention: \$.04 million per \$1 increase per

biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Retail Sales and Use Tax on Motor Vehicles

RCW: 82.08.020 (retail sales tax)

82.12.020 (use tax)

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Consumers purchasing motor vehicles

TAX RATE: 0.3% of selling price

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Revenue

WHERE DEPOSITED: Multimodal Transportation Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> General Transportation

<u>TAX EXEMPTIONS:</u> Retail car rentals

TAX HISTORY: 2003 0.3% of selling price

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$65.2 million

2005-07 FORECAST: \$70.1 million

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$234 million for each 1% increase in tax rate per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Rideshare Registration Fee

<u>RCW:</u> 46.16.023 (fee)

46.74.010 (definitions)

82.08.0287 (sales tax exemption) 82.12.0282 (use tax exemption) 82.44.015 (MVET exemption)

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> A passenger motor vehicle being used for commute ridesharing or

for ridesharing for the elderly and the handicapped; includes

publicly and privately-owned vehicles

<u>TAX RATE:</u> \$25 one-time rideshare plate fee in addition to basic registration fee;

makes vehicle exempt from motor vehicle excise tax and sales/use tax; vehicles issued special license plate denoting "RIDESHARE"

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for highway-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1980 Sales tax/use tax/MVET exemptions

1982 Handicapped/elderly revisions for vanpools

1987 \$25 one-time fee in addition to registration fee; \$5 transfer

fee

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$26,000

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$26,000

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$1,000 per \$1 increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Special Fuel Single Trip Permit

RCW: 82.38.100

WHO'S TAXED: Special fuel users temporarily entering the state (maximum three

days) for commercial purposes; collected in lieu of the special fuel tax otherwise assessable for importing and using special fuel on

highways in the state.

<u>TAX RATE:</u> \$ 1 filing fee (kept by county auditors or licensing agents to

defray administrative expenses)

\$10 administrative fee

\$ 9 excise tax

\$ 5 surcharge (weigh-in motion program and congestion relief)

\$25 Total

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for highway-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1971 Up to 333 miles, \$5; 334 to 555, \$10; 556 to 777, \$15; 778

to 1000, \$20; more than 1000, \$25 (plus \$1 per permit, valid for 96 hours; in lieu of special fuel tax for importing;

limit of six permits/year)

1973 \$10 + \$1/day (20 days maximum; six permits/year

maximum)

1979 \$10 + \$3/day (20 days maximum); six permit limit deleted

1983 \$1 filing fee; \$10 administration fee; \$9 excise tax; three-

day permit; user fills in dates

2000 \$1 filing fee; \$10 administration fee; \$9 excise tax; \$5

surcharge; three-day permit; user fills in dates

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$511,000

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$531,000

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$20,520 per \$1 increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: **Special License Plates**

RCW: 46.16.305 (authorization)

> 46.16.313 (basic fee) 46.16.316 (transfer fee)

Persons who qualify for special license plates under the categories WHO'S TAXED:

listed below; plate fees are paid one time and are in addition to

normal registration fees, except as noted:

Purple Heart Medal - war veterans that have been awarded the TAX RATE:

Purple Heart medal (\$.50 for original plate, \$3 for replacement)

Military Affiliate Radio System (MARS) - any person holding a valid MARS certificate (\$5 for original plate, \$3 for replacement)

Horseless Carriage - vehicles 40 years or older (\$35 for life of

vehicle; registration fee only required in initial year)

Collector Vehicles - vehicles 30 years of older (\$35 for life of

vehicle; registration fee only required in initial year)

HAM - any person holding a valid Amateur Radio Operator license

issued by the FCC (\$5 for original plate, \$3 for replacement)

Congressional Medal of Honor - any person issued a Medal of Honor by the U.S. government (free original plate, free replacement

plate)

Pearl Harbor Survivor - any person on active duty at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941 or the surviving spouse of a deceased Pearl

Harbor survivor (\$.50 for original plate, \$3 for replacement)

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

Appropriated for highway-related purposes DISTRIBUTION & USE:

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

Not available 2003-05 ESTIMATE:

Not available 2005-07 FORECAST:

VALUE OF INCREASE: Not available REVENUE SOURCE: Special Permit Fee for Oversize/Overweight Movements

<u>RCW</u>: 46.44.0941 (including oversize farm implements)

46.44.0945 (temporary additional tonnage)

<u>WHO'S TAXED</u>: Overheight, overlength, overwidth, and overweight vehicles using

state highways; there is separate rate schedule for oversize farm

implements

TAX RATE: Single trip-Oversize \$10

30 day permits-Oversize \$10 - \$20 30 day permits-Overweight \$70 - \$90 1 year permits-Overweight garbage trucks \$42 per 1000 lbs.

For other overweight permits, fees range from \$.07 per mile for loads up to 10,000 pounds over licensed gross weight or legal capacity to \$4.25 per mile for loads 100,000 pounds or more over licensed gross weight or legal capacity; an additional 50 cents per mile is charged for each 5,000 pound increment exceeding 100,000 pounds; the minimum fee for any overweight permit is \$14; permits

are for one-time movements

Oversized farm implements (e.g., threshers)

Farmers \$10, 3 month; \$ 25, 1 yr Sales, repair firms \$25, 3 month; \$100, 1 yr

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Transportation

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

DISTRIBUTION & USE: Appropriated for highway-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: Federal, state, county, city-owned vehicles (RCW 46.44.0941)

TAX HISTORY: 1995 Overweight permit fee schedule revised and expanded

Allowed tow trucks to purchase a one year permit to tow oversize/overweight vehicles. Formerly had to purchase a permit

for each oversize/overweight tow

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$12.1 million (Includes revenue from additional weight permits.)

2005-07 FORECAST: \$12.3 million (Includes revenue from additional weight permits.)

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$123,000 per 1% increase per biennium

Note: Revenues include collections from additional tonnage, special permit fees, and log tolerance permits.

REVENUE SOURCE: Stadium License Plates

<u>RCW:</u> 46.16.301 (authorization); 46.16.313 (fee)

WHO'S TAXED: Purchasers of plates that commemorate the construction of a

baseball stadium.

TAX RATE: Until June 30, 1997, \$40/year (including \$12 for admin. costs)

After June 30, 1997, \$30/year (including \$2 for admin. costs)

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Administrative costs to Motor Vehicle Account

Remainder to King County to pay the principal and interest on bonds issued to construct a baseball stadium. To be used along with the county special stadium sales and use tax (RCW 82.14.360).

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Motor Vehicle Account appropriated for highway-related purposes

To repay bonds to construct a baseball stadium

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1996 \$40 per year

1997 \$30 per year (effective July 1, 1997)

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$384,000

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$350,000

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$17,500 per \$1 increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Tow Truck Capacity Fee

RCW: 46.16.079

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Any fixed load motor vehicle equipped for lifting or towing any

disabled, impounded, or abandoned vehicle

<u>TAX RATE:</u> \$25 per annum in addition to the basic motor vehicle registration

fee, but in lieu of the combined licensing fee

<u>ADMINISTERED BY:</u> Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for highway-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

<u>TAX HISTORY:</u> 1963 \$25 per annum in lieu of combined licensing fee

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$86,000

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$87,000

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$3,400 per \$1 increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Tow Truck Operator Fee

RCW: 46.55.030

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Operators of tow truck businesses (i.e., any person who engages in

the impoundment, transporting, or storage of unauthorized vehicles,

or the disposal of abandoned vehicles)

<u>TAX RATE:</u> \$100 annual fee for business and \$50 per truck per year (plus

normal registration fee) for permit

Special license plates not issued; each tow truck issued a permit

indicating the class of the truck

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for highway-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1985 \$100/company + \$50/truck annually (original & renewal)

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$281,560

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$287,515

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$28,752 per 10% increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: **Transporter License and Plate Fees**

46.76.040 (original) RCW:

46.76.050 (renewal)

Businesses that deal in transportation of vehicles owned by others WHO'S TAXED:

(e.g., driveaway and towaway services); does not apply to motor

freight carriers licensed under RCW 81.80

TAX RATE: \$25 for original license

> \$15 for annual renewal license

per set of plates to be attached to vehicles being delivered \$ 2

Department of Licensing ADMINISTERED BY:

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

Appropriated for highway-related purposes DISTRIBUTION & USE:

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

1947 \$25 original license; \$15 renewal; \$2 per set of plates (new **TAX HISTORY:**

plates required each year)

Provision requiring new plate each year deleted 1990

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$63,257

2005-07 FORECAST: \$64,525

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$3,500 per \$1 increase per biennium REVENUE SOURCE: Travel Trailer and Camper Excise Tax

RCW: 82.50.410 (tax)

82.50.425 (valuation)

Chapter 1, 1st Special Session, Laws of 2000 repealed the travel

trailer and camper excise tax, effective January 1, 2000

WHO'S TAXED: Travel trailer and camper owners

<u>TAX RATE:</u> Annual rate of 1.1% of value of the travel trailer or camper; value is

based on statutory schedule (RCW 82.50.425) applied to the

manufacturer's suggested retail price.

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: General Fund

Transportation Fund

DISTRIBUTION & USE: 1.1% of value:

-- 13.64% to cities -- 13.64% to counties

-- 63.64% to General Fund; appropriated for schools -- 9.08% to Transportation Fund; appropriated for general

transportation purposes

<u>TAX EXEMPTIONS:</u> Dealer inventory held for sale (RCW 82.50.520(1))

Government agency (RCW 82.50.520(2))

Nonresidents (RCW 82.50.520(3))

TAX HISTORY: 1943 1.5% (travel trailer)

1955 1.0% (travel trailer) 1971 2.0% (camper) 1972 1.0% (camper)

1990 1.1% (Changed vehicle valuation schedules; added 0.1%

surtax to base rate to be deposited in Transportation Fund)

1998 1.1% (Eliminated 0.1% surtax and consolidated tax rate at

1.1%; distribution changed to maintain revenue neutrality)

2000 Repealed by Chapter 1. 1st Special Session, Laws of 2000

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$0

2005-07 FORECAST: \$0

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$0

REVENUE SOURCE: Trip Permit Fee and Surcharge

RCW: 46.16.160

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Vehicle owners temporarily moving an unlicensed vehicle; generally used

by commercial drivers that do not enter Washington frequently enough to make prorated licensing cost effective; also used by vehicle owners in the

state who want to move an unlicensed vehicle on the public roads

Permit is good for three consecutive days; no more than three such permits

may be used for a single vehicle during a 30-day period, except for

recreational vehicles which are limited to two permits in a one-year period

TAX RATE: Filing fee: \$3

Administration fee: \$11
Excise tax: \$1
Surcharge \$5
Total \$20

<u>ADMINISTERED BY:</u> Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account: \$16

Highway Safety Account: \$3 General Fund: \$1

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for highway-related purposes, drivers programs, and general

government. Surcharge revenue assigned to Motor Vehicle Account (CVISN, weigh-in-motion programs) when collected from motor carriers. Surcharge revenue assigned to Motor Vehicle Account (for congestion

relief) when collected from non-motor carriers.

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1957 \$2.50 to \$7.50; 3 day maximum; \$2 admin fee

1961 \$.50 to \$2 per 24-hour period; 10 day maximum; \$2.50 admin fee

1969 \$2 to \$4 per 24-hour period; 10 day maximum; \$5 admin fee 1976 \$2 to \$8 per 24-hour period; 10 day maximum; \$5 admin fee

1981 \$10 for 3-day permit; 3 permits per 30 days; includes \$8 admin fee,

\$1 filing fee, and \$1 excise tax

1996 \$10 for 3-day permit; 3 permits per 30 days; includes \$6 admin fee,

\$3 filing fee, and \$1 excise tax. Restricted recreational vehicles to

two permits per year.

1999 Added \$5 surcharge to fund weigh-in motion programs and

congestion relief.

2002 Set fee at \$15, retained \$5.00 surcharge.

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$6.6 million

2005-07 FORECAST: \$6.9 million

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$202,000 per \$1 increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Vanpool Registration Fee

<u>RCW:</u> 46.12.023 (fee)

46.74.010 (definitions)

82.08.0287 (sales tax exemption) 82.12.0282 (use tax exemption) 82.44.015 (MVET exemption)

WHO'S TAXED: A passenger motor vehicle being used for commute ridesharing or

for ridesharing for the elderly and the handicapped; includes

publicly and privately-owned vehicles.

TAX RATE: \$25 annual fee in addition to basic registration fee; makes vehicle

exempt from motor vehicle excise tax and sales/ use tax; vehicles

issued special license plate denoting "VANPOOL"

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for highway-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1980 Sales tax/use tax/MVET exemptions

1982 Handicapped/elderly revisions for vanpools

1987 \$25 annual fee in addition to registration fee; \$5 transfer fee

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$50,000

2005-07 FORECAST: \$50,000

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> \$2,000 per \$1 increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Vehicle Certificate of Ownership (Title) and Inspection

Fees

RCW: 46.12.040 (Certificate of title and motor vehicle inspection fee)

46.12.060 (VIN altered or obliterated)

46.12.080 (Motorcycle and motor changes to title)

46.12.101 (Transfer of ownership) 46.12.170 (Reissue of titles) 46.12.181 (Lost or stolen titles) 46.68.020 (Distribution)

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Applicants for vehicle certificate of ownership (includes motor and

non-motor vehicles except bicycles); inspections required for vehicles previously registered in another state or country, vehicles rebuilt after being declared a total loss, other vehicles as determined by the Department of Licensing; changes to or reissues of title

TAX RATE: Certificate of title - \$5.00

Vehicle inspection - \$15 if previously registered in another state or

country, \$50 for all other inspections

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing Motor Vehicle Account

WHERE DEPOSITED: Multimodal Account

Transportation 2003 (Nickel) Account

Air Pollution Control Account Vessel Response Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for oil spill response, school bus retrofit, and

highway-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1937 50 cents

1951 \$1

1974 \$1 certificate of ownership; \$10 inspection fee

1989 \$1 certificate of ownership; \$15 inspection fee if previously

registered elsewhere; \$20 inspection fee if not

1990 \$1.25 certificate of ownership; \$15 inspection fee if

previously registered elsewhere; \$20 inspection fee if not

\$5.00 certificate of ownership; \$15 inspection fee if

previously registered elsewhere; \$50 inspection fee if not;

raised fee for changes to certificate to \$5.00

2003 Changed distributions of fees from Motor Vehicle Account

to Multimodal Account, Transportation 2003 Account, Air Pollution Control Account, and Vessel Response Account. After 2008, fees going to Air Pollution Control and Vessel

Response will go to Transportation 2003 Account

2003-05 ESTIMATE: Certificates: \$22.4 million

Inspections: \$16.0million

2005-07 FORECAST: Certificates: \$23.3 million

Inspections: \$16.6 million

<u>VALUE OF INCREASE:</u> Certificates: \$4.7 million per \$1 increase per biennium

Inspections: \$0.5million per \$1 increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Vehicle Dealer Excise Tax

RCW: 82.44.030

Chapter 1, 1st Special Session, Laws of 2000 repealed the

vehicle dealer excise tax, effective January 1, 2000

WHO'S TAXED: Vehicle Dealers

<u>TAX RATE:</u> One-time fee of \$2 per set of vehicle dealer license plates; for

privilege of demonstrating vehicles held for retail sale.

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: The proceeds of this tax are deposited in the same accounts as the

motor vehicle excise tax.

DISTRIBUTION & USE: Appropriated for general government purposes and highway-related

purposes.

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

TAX HISTORY: 1943 \$2 per set of plates

2000 Repealed by Chapter 1, 1st Special Session, Laws of 2000

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$0

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$0

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$0

REVENUE SOURCE: Vehicle Dealer/Manufacturer Business License

RCW: 46.70.061

WHO'S TAXED: Businesses that sell or manufacture vehicles

TAX RATE: Annual Fee--Original License

Dealer--Principal place of business\$ 750Dealer--Subagency\$ 100Dealer--Temporary subagent\$ 125Manufacturer\$ 750

Annual Fee—Renewals

Dealer--Principal place of business \$250 Dealer--Subagency \$25 Manufacturer \$250

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: Motor Vehicle Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for highway-related purposes

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$2.8 million

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$2.9 million

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$290,000 per 10% increase per biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Vessel Pilot License Fee

RCW: 88.16.090

<u>WHO'S TAXED:</u> Pilots licensed by the state to board out-of-state ships for the

purpose of assisting navigation through Washington waters; the two pilotage districts in the state are the Puget Sound and Grays Harbor

districts

TAX RATE: \$3,000 per year

ADMINISTERED BY: Board of Pilotage Commissioners

WHERE DEPOSITED: Pilotage Account

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> Appropriated for administration and operations of the Board of

Pilotage Commissioners

TAX EXEMPTIONS: None

<u>TAX HISTORY:</u> 1935 \$100

1977 \$250

1979 Not to exceed \$1000; set by Board of Pilotage

Commissioners (BPC)

1986 Not to exceed \$1500; set by BPC

1995 \$2500

1999 \$3000 beginning 7/1/99

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$342,000

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$342,000

VALUE OF INCREASE: N/A

REVENUE SOURCE: Vessel Registration Fee

RCW: 88.02.050

WHO'S TAXED: Owners of registered vessels

TAX RATE: \$10.50 per year

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: General Fund

<u>DISTRIBUTION & USE:</u> All revenue in excess of \$1.1 million per fiscal year is allocated by

the State Treasurer to counties with approved boating safety, education and law enforcement programs. Eligibility is contingent on approval by the State Parks and Recreation Commission.

<u>TAX EXEMPTIONS:</u> Military and government vessels not for recreational use, foreign

vessels, U.S. Customs cruising vessels, vessels registered and used in other states, vessels temporarily in Washington for repairs, vessels with less than 10 horsepower motors used as transportation from shore to a registered vessel, vessels under 16 feet with less than 10 horsepower motors used on nonfederally regulated waters, and commercial fishing vessels assessed by Department of Revenue

(RCW 88.02.030).

<u>TAX HISTORY:</u> 1984 \$6.00 annual registration fee

1994 \$10.50 annual registration fee

<u>2003-05 ESTIMATE:</u> \$5.8 million

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$5.9 million

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$580,000 per 10% increase each biennium

REVENUE SOURCE: Watercraft Excise Tax

<u>RCW:</u> 82.49.010

WHO'S TAXED: Owners of taxable vessels

TAX RATE: One half of 1% (\$5.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value per year) or

\$5.00, whichever is greater

ADMINISTERED BY: Department of Licensing

WHERE DEPOSITED: General Fund

DISTRIBUTION & USE: For the 1993-95 fiscal biennium, the watercraft excise tax revenues

exceeding \$5 million but not exceeding \$6 million in each fiscal year may, subject to appropriation by the Legislature, be used for site acquisition, sewage pump out or dump units, enforcing boating safety and registration laws, or for education, as specified in

88.12.375.

TAX EXEMPTIONS: Military and government vessels not for recreational use, foreign

vessels, U.S. Customs cruising vessels, vessels registered and used in other states, vessels temporarily in Washington for repairs, vessels with less than 10 horsepower motors used as transportation from shore to a registered vessel, vessels under 16 feet, human-powered vessels, and commercial fishing vessels currently paying

property tax (RCW 82.49.020, 88.02.030)

TAX HISTORY: 1984 One half of 1% (\$5.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value per year)

or \$5.00, whichever is greater

2003-05 ESTIMATE: \$21.8 million

<u>2005-07 FORECAST:</u> \$22.8 million

VALUE OF INCREASE: \$46 million per biennium for each 1% increase in tax rate